## CITY OF BOULDER, COLORADO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS MEETING MINUTES

Name of Board / Commission: Water Resources Advisory Board

**Date of Meeting:** 28 March 2016

**Contact Information of Person Preparing Minutes:** Rene Lopez 303-413-7149

Board Members Present: Vicki Scharnhorst, Dan Johnson, Mark Squillace, Lesley Smith, Mike

Barnes

**Board Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Jeff Arthur, Director of Public Works for Utilities

Joe Taddeucci, Water Resources Manager

Douglas Sullivan, Acting Principal Engineer for Water, Wastewater and Stormwater

Tom Settle, Water Treatment Manager

Steven Buckbee, Engineering Project Manager Michelle Wind, Drinking Water Program Supervisor

Kevin Clark, Engineering Project Manager

Eric Ameigh, Sr. Project Manager

Joanna Bloom, Source Water Administrator

Kate Dunlap, Source Water Quality Program Coordinator

Justin Greene, Finance Data Analyst Ken Baird, Utilities Financial Manager

Annie Noble, Acting Principle Engineer for Flood and Greenways

Rene Lopez, Board Secretary

**Consultants Present:** None

**Meeting Type:** Regular

Agenda Item 1 – Call to Order [8:02 p.m.]

### Agenda Item 2 - Approval of the 22 February 2016 Meeting Minutes

[8:05 p.m.]

Motion to approve minutes from 22 February 2016 as amended.

Moved by: Squillace Seconded by: Barnes

Vote: 5:0

# Agenda Item 3 – Public Participation and Comment

[8:06 p.m.]

Public Comment: none

### Agenda Item 4 - Information Item - Capital Improvement Program

[8:07 p.m.]

Ken Baird, Joanna Bloom, Kevin Clark and Joe Taddeucci presented this item.

#### **Executive Summary from the Packet Materials:**

As part of the city's annual budget process, Utilities develops a six-year planning budget, this year for the time period of 2017 through 2022. Within this process, funds are appropriated for the first year, 2017. The Water Resources Advisory Board (WRAB) role in this process is defined in the Boulder Revised Code; ". . . to review all environmental assessments and capital improvements conducted or proposed by the utilities division." This agenda item is intended to initiate this process by providing:

- \* Background information
- Anticipated CIP highlights
- Schedule of key milestones

For reference, this packet includes materials from the adopted 2016 Utilities Budget and the 2016-2021 Utilities Capital Improvement Program (CIP) which was approved by City Council last fall. This information can be found in Attachment A – Water Utility, Attachment B – Wastewater Utility and Attachment C -Stormwater / Flood Management Utility. In addition, the citywide CIP document (2016 Annual Budget Vol. II) and other budget documents can be found in a links on the following webpage: https://bouldercolorado.gov/budget.

No formal action by the WRAB is requested at this time. WRAB recommendation on the CIP will be scheduled for the June 20 meeting. A public hearing will be scheduled for both the May 16 and June 20 budget discussions.

#### **WRAB Discussion Included:**

- Wittemeyer ponds cost benefit analysis
- Enterprise funds for each utility
- Barker Dam pipeline lining
- Rate increase average cost per single family

#### Agenda Item 5 – Information Item – Carter Lake Pipeline

[8:41 p.m.]

Joe Taddeucci presented this item.

#### **Executive Summary from the Packet Materials:**

In establishing the 2017 capital improvements program (CIP), the City of Boulder must reach a final decision regarding participation in the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District's (hereinafter Northern) Southern Water Supply Project II (hereinafter Carter Lake Pipeline). A decision is required in 2016 because the project schedule requires 2017 funding for final design, and because final design cannot proceed for other project participants until Boulder's involvement is determined.

The purpose of this item is to present an overall summary of the project and provide WRAB an opportunity to ask questions or request additional information prior to making a June recommendation on the 2017 CIP.

#### WRAB Discussion Included:

- Feedback on CIP public open house
- Discussions regarding future water use trend projections
- Bond rate discussions
- Cost benefit analysis requested
- Top 10 reasons to proceed with the project requested

# **Agenda Item 5 - Matters from Board:**

[9:56 p.m.]

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  - Look at ways of generating revenue in excess of today's revenue
  - Rate structure this fall
- Smith
  - Recourse for selling water to fracking companies
  - Discussions on the water main break isolation times from the Norwood main break

#### **Agenda Item 6 – Matters from Staff:**

[10:10 p.m.]

- Polling board members for summer schedules
- Civic area memo to council
- Officially recognize Vicki's contribution to WRAB

# Agenda Item 7 – Future Schedule

[10:13 p.m.]

- Water supply memo in April
- Water efficiency plan moved to later in 2016
- 4 mile creek for GAC

### Adjournment

[10:15p.m.]

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, by motion regularly adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by: Squillace Seconded by: Johnson

**Motion Passes 5:0** 

#### Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting:

The next WRAB meeting will be **Monday**, April 18<sup>th</sup> 2016 at **7:00 p.m.**, at the **City's Municipal Services Center**, **5050 East Pearl St.**, **Boulder**, **CO 80301** 

APPROVED BY:	ATTESTED BY:
Board Chair	Board Secretary
Date	Date

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